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2. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF NON-CIA LANGUAGE-AREA PROGRAMS ABROAD

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Training Liaison Officers
SUBJECT: Non-CIA Area and Language-Area Programs Abroad
RECISSION: Memo to TLO's, fr D/TR, subject same as above,
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1. The Office of Training announces the area and language-area programs at non-CIA facilities abroad which are attached hereto. These programs have been established for Headquarters personnel. Operational activity or official association with the Agency or Agency personnel are absolutely prohibited during the training period.

2. Basic qualifications for all of these programs are: (a) bachelor's degree or equivalent; (b) competence to perform graduate studies; (c) above average aptitude in language (except for Program E and Program F); and (d) Top Secret clearance.

3. It is requested that all personnel interested in any of these programs consult the Chief, Programs Division, Office of Training (Room 1301, I Building, #2518) for information and special instruction prior to the preparation of training requests.

4. It is requested that all correspondence and phone conversations on these programs refer to them by their titles below, as Program A, etc.

5. All personnel for whom training is requested in these programs must maintain proper security on a need-to-know basis with respect to the programs offered, the request for training, and subsequent action taken by the Office of Training on the request.

6. Opportunities for area or language-area training overseas are not limited to these programs. The Office of Training will develop and arrange other programs as various Offices indicate their needs.

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Program A (Near East)

Description of Program: This program consists of a year's intensive training in language and area in the United States and a further year of advanced language and area training in the Near East.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning about 1 January, annually.

Agency Quota: 5 to 7

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 July, annually.

Program B (Middle East, South Asia, Africa)

Description of Program: This program consists of area experience and language study in the Middle East, South Asia and Africa.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning about 1 April, annually.

Number of Personnel to be Selected: 3

Special Qualifications Required: Program intended for personnel grades GS-9 thru GS-13 in Offices under the Deputy Director (Intelligence).

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 October, annually.

Program C (Russian)

Description of Program: This program consists of lectures and seminars on the military, economic and political structure of the Soviet Union and its European satellites, advanced Russian language training, field trips and special projects.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning about 1 September, annually.

Agency Quota: 3

Special Qualifications Required: Demonstrated proficiency in the Russian language.

Due Date for Training Requests: 25 March, annually.

Program D (Far East, Southeast Asia)

Description of Program: This program consists of area experience and language study [REDACTED]

Length of Program: Two years, full time.

Agency Quota: 6, available as vacancies occur.

Due Date for Training Requests: Open.

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Program E (Near East)

Description of Program: This program includes two weeks' pre-area briefing in Washington, eight weeks in the Near East with lectures and seminars on the history, geography, geopolitics, and contemporary problems of the Near East, and three weeks of field trips to capitol and major cities of most of the countries in the Near East, including briefings at U. S. embassies and legations in the area.

Length of Program: 13 weeks, full time, beginning about 1 July annually.

Agency Quota: 6 to 12

Special Qualifications Required: Program intended primarily for analysts, grades GS-9 thru GS-13, but not limited to them.

Due Date for Training Requests: 15 March annually.

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Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning approximately 1 July annually.

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 January annually (for 1953 due date is 1 May).

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Program H (China)

Description of Program: This program consists of one year of intensive Chinese language and area study in the United States followed by one year of advanced language and area study in Formosa.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning approximately 1 September annually.

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 March annually (for 1953 due date is 1 May)

Program I (South Asia)

Description of Program: This program consists of one year of intensive language and area study on a specific language and area of South Asia in the United States followed by one year of advanced language and area study in the specific area being studied.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning 1 January annually.

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 July annually

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